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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1-3. (Canceled).
- 4. (Currently Amended) The An isolated nucleic acid of Claim 1-having at least 95% nucleic acid sequence identity to:
 - (a) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:94;
 - (b) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:94, lacking its associated signal peptide;
 - (c) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:94, wherein the extracellular domain is amino acids 20-31, 139-151, or 236-257;
 - (d) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:94 lacking its associated signal peptide, wherein the extracellular domain is amino acids 20-31, 139-151, or 236-257;
 - (a)(e) the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:93;
 - (b)(f) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:93; or
 - (c)(g) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203229;

wherein said isolated nucleic acid is more highly expressed in normal lung and melanoma tumor compared to lung tumor and normal skin tissue, or wherein said isolated nucleic acid encodes a polypeptide that is more highly expressed in normal lung and melanoma tumor compared to lung tumor and normal skin tissue.

- 5. (Currently Amended) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 1 Claim 4 having at least 99% nucleic acid sequence identity to:
 - (a) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:94;
 - (b) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:94, lacking its associated signal peptide;
 - (c) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:94, wherein the extracellular domain is amino acids 20-31, 139-151, or 236-257;

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(d) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:94 lacking its associated signal peptide, wherein the extracellular domain is amino acids 20-31, 139-151, or 236-257;

- (a)(e) the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:93;
- (b)(f) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:93; or
- (c)(g) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203229;

wherein said isolated nucleic acid is more highly expressed in normal lung and melanoma tumor compared to lung tumor and normal skin tissue, or wherein said isolated nucleic acid encodes a polypeptide that is more highly expressed in normal lung and melanoma tumor compared to lung tumor and normal skin tissue.

- 6. (Currently Amended) An isolated nucleic acid comprising:
 - (a) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:94;
- (b) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:94, lacking its associated signal peptide;
- (c) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:94, wherein the extracellular domain is amino acids 20-31, 139-151, or 236-257;
- (d) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:94 lacking its associated signal peptide, wherein the extracellular domain is amino acids 20-31, 139-151, or 236-257;
 - (a)(e) the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:93;
- (b)(f) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:93; or
- (c)(g) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203229.
 - 7-10. (Canceled).
- 11. (Previously Presented) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 6 comprising the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:93.

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12. (Previously Presented). The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 6 comprising the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:93.

- 13. (Original) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 6 comprising the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203229.
- 14. (Currently Amended) An isolated nucleic acid that hybridizes under stringent conditions to:
 - (a) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:94;
 - (b) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:94, lacking its associated signal peptide;
 - (c) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:94, wherein the extracellular domain is amino acids 20-31, 139-151, or 236-257;
 - (d) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:94 lacking its associated signal peptide, wherein the extracellular domain is amino acids 20-31, 139-151, or 236-257;
 - (a)(e) the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:93 or a complement thereof;
 - (b)(f) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:93 or a complement thereof; or
 - (c)(g) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203229 or a complement thereof;

wherein said stringent conditions comprise 50% formamide, 5 x SSC (0.75 M NaCl, 0.075 M sodium citrate), 50 mM sodium phosphate (pH 6.8), 0.1% sodium pyrophosphate, 5 x Denhardt's solution, sonicated salmon sperm DNA (50 μg/ml), 0.1% SDS, and 10% dextran sulfate at 42°C, with washes at 42°C in 0.2 x SSC (sodium chloride/sodium citrate) and 50% formamide at 55°C, followed by a high-stringency wash consisting of 0.1 x SSC containing EDTA at 55°C;

wherein said isolated nucleic acid molecule is suitable for use as a PCR primer, or probe;

and wherein said isolated nucleic acid is at least about 20 nucleotides in length.

15. (Canceled).

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16. (Currently Amended) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 14 which is at least 10 about 50 nucleotides in length.

- 17. (Currently Amended) A vector comprising the nucleic acid of Claim 1 Claim 4.
- 18. (Original) The vector of Claim 17, wherein said nucleic acid is operably linked to control sequences recognized by a host cell transformed with the vector.
 - 19. (Original) A host cell comprising the vector of Claim 17.
- 20. (Original) The host cell of Claim 19, wherein said cell is a CHO cell, an E. coli or a yeast cell.
- 21. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 14 which is at least about 75 nucleotides in length.
- 22. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 14 which is at least about 100 nucleotides in length.
- 23. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 14 which is at least about 150 nucleotides in length.
- 24. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 14 which is at least about 200 nucleotides in length.
- 25. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 14 which is at least about 250 nucleotides in length.
- 26. (New) An isolated nucleic acid having at least 95% nucleic acid sequence identity to:
 - (a) the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:93;
 - (b) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:93; or
 - (c) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203229;

wherein said isolated nucleic acid hybridizes to the complement of a nucleic acid of SEQ ID NO:93 under conditions of 50% formamide, 5 x SSC (0.75 M NaCl, 0.075 M sodium citrate), 50 mM sodium phosphate (pH 6.8), 0.1% sodium pyrophosphate, 5 x Denhardt's solution, sonicated salmon sperm DNA (50 μ g/ml), 0.1% SDS, and 10% dextran sulfate at 42°C, with washes at 42°C in 0.2 x SSC (sodium chloride/sodium

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citrate) and 50% formamide at 55°C, followed by a high-stringency wash consisting of 0.1 x SSC containing EDTA at 55°C.

- 27. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 26 having at least 99% nucleic acid sequence identity to:
 - (a) the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:93;
 - (b) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:93; or
 - (c) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203229;

wherein said isolated nucleic acid hybridizes to the complement of a nucleic acid of SEQ ID NO:93 under conditions of 50% formamide, 5 x SSC (0.75 M NaCl, 0.075 M sodium citrate), 50 mM sodium phosphate (pH 6.8), 0.1% sodium pyrophosphate, 5 x Denhardt's solution, sonicated salmon sperm DNA (50 μg/ml), 0.1% SDS, and 10% dextran sulfate at 42°C, with washes at 42°C in 0.2 x SSC (sodium chloride/sodium citrate) and 50% formamide at 55°C, followed by a high-stringency wash consisting of 0.1 x SSC containing EDTA at 55°C.

- 28. (New) A vector comprising the nucleic acid of Claim 26.
- 29. (New) The vector of Claim 28, wherein said nucleic acid is operably linked to control sequences recognized by a host cell transformed with the vector.
 - 30. (New) A host cell comprising the vector of Claim 28.
- 31. (New) The host cell of Claim 30, wherein said cell is a CHO cell, an E. coli or a yeast cell.